

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

PATHAN ATIKURRAHEMAN,

Petitioner,

V.

MERRICK GARLAND, et al.,

## Respondent.

Case No. 2:24-cv-01256-DGE-TLF

**ORDER APPOINTING THE  
FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER**

This is a 28 U.S.C. § 2241 immigration habeas action. Petitioner has filed a motion to appoint counsel. Dkt. 2. Having considered the motion, petitioner's financial eligibility, and the balance of the record, the Court finds and ORDERS:

1) The Court is in receipt of a letter from the Federal Public Defender's Office indicating that this case falls within the class of cases potentially governed by *Zadvydas v. Davis*, 533 U.S. 678 (2001). Because of the complex issues involved in this case, the interests of justice require that counsel be appointed for petitioner. See 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(a)(2)(B). As required by statute, petitioner has demonstrated financial eligibility for such appointment. See *id.* Accordingly, petitioner's request for appointment of counsel (Dkt. 2) is GRANTED. The Court appoints the Federal Public Defender to represent petitioner in these proceedings.

1       2) The Clerk shall send copies of this Order to petitioner, to the Federal Public  
2       Defender, to counsel for respondents, and to the Honorable David G. Estudillo.

3       Dated this 28th day of August, 2024.

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